

THE WORKING DOGS.

Interesting Reports of American Consuls on the Subject

THE MANY USES MADE OF THEM

In Belgium and Germany—A Problem in Breeds—The Draft Power of the Willing Follies—The Question of Forage—Night as Well as Day Duty—A Crucial to Animals.

Washington correspondence of the St. Louis Globe Democrat: "I would not be a dog in Belgium," is a French proverb. In England the harnessing of dogs has been forbidden by law for fifty years. In France and Italy the use of dogs for draft purposes is almost unknown. In Brussels and its suburbs more than 10,000 dogs are employed for beasts of burden, and in Belgium at large the dog has taken the place of the donkey completely. In Germany the use is not so general, but yet quite extensive.

Some time ago the state department sent to consuls instructions to report on dogs as draft animals. The result is a collection of much curious information. The American consul at Antwerp says:

"I cannot better illustrate the lack of attention to breed than by narrating an experience which I had a few days ago while riding on my bicycle in the country about ten miles from Antwerp. Seeing upon the door of a modest one-story brick cottage of a peasant a placard with the words 'chien a vendre' (dogs to sell), I dismounted, knocked at the door, and at once found myself in the presence of the proprietor of the premises. After the greetings, and after informing the gentleman of the purpose of my visit, he gave me the following statement, assisted by periodic questions thrown into the narration by myself:

"I have six fine dogs to sell. Three of them have short hair and three are sheared, so as to please everybody. These dogs are just ready for use—strong, healthy and just a little under two years ago. I know these dogs well, because I raised them myself. I want one hundred and twenty-five francs, (about \$25) apiece, but I will take less for spot cash. The breed? Oh, mon Dieu, I can't tell you much about the breed; the breed makes no difference. What you want is a strong, well-trained dog, and that's what mine are. However, I may tell you that my six dogs are all from the same father and mother. The father is, if I remember correctly, one-fourth Belgian, two-fourths Danish and three-fourths Scotch, and the mother is, I think, three-fourths Belgian and one-fourth English."

"Assuring the gentleman of my appreciation of his remarkable memory and wonderful mathematical ability, and thanking him, I departed. Seriously speaking, the story of this polite and humble peasant shows very accurately the attention (or, rather, lack of attention), that is given to the question of breed. The dog, when in use, varies in size and color, but, in the majority of cases, he is, when standing, about two feet high, of a dark-gray or dark-brown color, has short hair and the tail cut. In addition to his work as a draft animal, he is a faithful guardian of his master's home."

"It is difficult to say," continues this consul, "exactly the weight of the load which can be drawn by one dog, for the reason that he is harnessed alone much less frequently than in company with one, two, three and sometimes four others. In the latter case, they are harnessed abreast. In the cities and towns, when employed by butchers, bakers, laundries, etc., to draw their delivery carts, one dog is often used, and is harnessed under the cart. The cart is provided with two handles, like those of a wheelbarrow, which are held by a boy, the boy thus guiding the cart through the narrow streets, while the dog pulls. In case of need, the boy assists by pushing the cart as he would a wheelbarrow. Sometimes two dogs are placed under the cart, but not more."

"The highest utility is attained where two, three, four or five are harnessed abreast and placed in front of the cart, which they draw just as horses. It is in this way that the peasants come to town with their vegetables and flowers in the morning, and in this way they return in the afternoon, seated in their carts, happy and smiling, and they have been able to sell their loads, to join, as they move briskly along, with their steady, easy trot, toward home. A team of three or four of these dogs can draw five or six hundred pounds for several hours."

The consul at Ghent says the level plains of western Belgium and Holland are especially suitable for the employment of dogs for hauling purposes. While in mountainous regions they are not practicable for heavy loads, still even in slightly rolling country they are able to out-distance horses for long hauls. For example, the distance between Ghent and Brussels is thirty-four miles; ordinary horses require four hours to cover it, while a team of dogs will easily go over the ground in three hours without any apparent fatigue. A good team of two to four dogs will haul a peddler's load from 5 a. m. to 3 p. m. with only such short intervals of rest as they may obtain during the sale of goods.

The Belgian dog may be put to work when about a year old, and can be employed daily during eight or nine years. He generally lives to be ten or eleven years of age. Food and maintenance are trifling items of expense. One large dog can subsist on the kitchen waste of a household of five or six persons. Properly speaking, daily meat is indispensable, but very few of these Belgian animals get it. They should have daily one pound of meat—horse meat will answer; if they receive that much in a week they are lucky. In the country

districts, the dog's food is exclusively milk, bread and vegetables; but still he seems to be healthy and to thrive on it. If specially purchased, the food of five or six dogs will average six or seven cents apiece per day. The care and attention required are slight. At night the dog must be given a good kennel, full of straw, and left unchained. Incidentally, it may also be remarked that, notwithstanding his long day's labor, he is an excellent watchdog. It should be noted that his feet never need attention, and that he is likewise proof against all kinds of weather.

"From all that can be observed, or learned by inquiry," the consul general at Frankfurt reports, "the dogs, at least those used as draft animals in this region, take to their work with entire willingness. Nothing is so irksome to the canine spirit as to be confined in the kennel or left at home when the master goes abroad. Any sign of preparing the cart or wagon for a sortie affects the working dog much as the sign of a gun or shooting costume affects a setter or foxhound. If left at home while the cart is taken to town by hand, he is apt to howl dismally until it returns. Once harnessed, he trots to his place under the wagon, and when used on a milk route or other uniform service, he learns the way and the place and average duration of each stop as well as his master. In whose absence he guards the wagon and its load with a fierce fidelity which no wheedling can corrupt or fatigue impair. Rarely under ordinary circumstances does a dog have to be urged to greater exertion; if spoken to at all, it is usually to restrain him from drawing the cart faster than the driver cares to walk."

The consul at Hamburg says: "I have noticed that the people become especially attached to their draft dogs, who are their constant companions in business, and that they treat them well as a rule. The dogs themselves are the very hardest workers, and enter into their work with far more spirit and vim than most horses. It is a frequent sight to see their masters obliged to constantly restrain them from pulling. It is sometimes very pitiable, however, to see them pulled out of shape by overwork and overloading. Their crooked legs, nervous temperaments, blurred eyes and tender feet tell their tale of idleness and suffering. They ferociously protect the cart and its contents during the absence of their masters, and seem to feel a personal interest in the business."

"I took occasion to interview the Hamburg Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals on this subject, and learned that dogs which are used as draft animals are seldom able to stand the work more than five years without their spines becoming affected, and that such draft dogs as are from time to time brought to the dog hospital of the society for treatment are generally beyond recovery. I was also told that the society had repeatedly requested the Hamburg government to forbid the use of dogs as draft animals, and that, although its efforts in this direction had thus far proved absolutely unsuccessful, it intended to continue to use its best efforts to have the practice abolished. Members of the society must bind themselves not to purchase anything from tradespeople who deliver their wares in carts hauled by dogs."

"I am advised that in Denmark it is absolutely forbidden to use dogs for draft purposes, and that at present there is a strong movement on foot in Berlin to force the people to use donkeys instead of dogs."

MISS JARRELL'S CASE

And her Alleged Connection with the Murder of Col. Lazarus Vinton, the Big Sandy Lumber Dealer.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

HUNTINGTON, W. Va., Nov. 22.—The preliminary trial of Miss Mary Jarrell, the pretty young woman prisoner who is charged with being an accomplice in the murder of Col. Lazarus Vinton, the rich Big Sandy timber man, will open to-morrow morning before Squire A. J. Miler, at the city hall. As the time draws near the excitement rises higher and higher, and from all over this side of the state many will be here to witness the trial. The prominence of the murdered man, the mystery which has long enshrouded his death, together with the prominence of the connections of the accused, all make it one of the most sensational cases ever tried in the county. The father of the prisoner, who is a wealthy farmer, residing in the southern section of Wayne county, has not yet arrived, but it is probable will reach the city to-morrow morning. Many believe that owing to the wayward character of the daughter he will do but little, if anything, for her defense. This fact, however, seems to make no difference to her, as she stated to the Intelligencer correspondent on Saturday that she could command any sum of money for her case.

It was stated on Saturday evening by a well known attorney that a small sum of money had been left on deposit, subject to her order.

She says she has a sister at Sistersville who was formerly the wife of a telegrapher by the name of Ward, at Circleville, Ohio.

Ex-Senator E. M. McCallister, and Northcott and Perry will defend her, while the prosecution will be represented by Prosecuting Attorney Williams, Assistant H. G. Lovett and John S. and Lacey Marcum.

The trial of Dave Justice and Charley Martin will be opened before Judge Haley, at Cadetsburg, on Wednesday morning. Your correspondent visited the Kentucky town on Sunday, and found the people wrought up to the highest pitch of excitement over the case.

From the mouth almost to the head of the Big Sandy river prominent men will be present to hear the trial, and not since the memorable trial and lynching of Ellis Craft, George Neal and George Eille, for the murder of the Walker family, at Ashland, has Eastern Kentucky been so wrought up.

Gunboat Wheeling's Trial.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 22.—The United States gunboat Wheeling is expected to go to sea to-day to complete the trial of her machinery, and other details of her construction. She will be away several days. She behaved well on her trip to Honolulu, but the navy department requirements call for a further trial.

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IMPORTANT RESULTS OBTAINED From the Reform in the Careless Cancellation of Mail Matter.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—The efforts made by the postoffice department to reform the careless practice existing in a large number of postoffices in the cancellation of mail matter is expected to bring about most important results. Already the movement has borne fruit, and where, according to the officials of the department, at the beginning of the administration thirty per cent. of the whole number of postmarks on mail matter was practically illegible, the ratio has now been brought down to less than ten per cent. First Assistant Postmaster General Perry S. Heath is vigorously prosecuting the reform, and whenever complaints come in about careless marking, they are referred to the delinquent postoffice for report. The matter has attracted general interest and has brought out suggestions and recommendations from business houses and individuals throughout the country. So far during this administration about 40,000 hand stamps have been sent out to postmasters. The committee appointed by the postmaster general to examine new designs or improvements in cancelling stamps will receive for inspection up to January 1 working models of any invention designed to take the place of the hand stamps now in use at the various postoffices. This call for new designs or improvements applies only to hand stamps and not to cancellation machines, which are used in the heavy work of the service. The present movement is intended primarily to improve the class of postmarking stamps now supplied to the smaller auxiliaries, as well as those used in an auxiliary way in the larger ones, and the principal points considered will be simplicity, durability and cost.

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P. R.—Berth reservations are made in the order received up to each Saturday morning. First come, first served. F

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BELLAIRE

All Sorts of Local News and Gossip From the Glass City.

There are a great many applications being made at the steel works for places now. Yesterday they were so numerous during the afternoon that all could not be handled readily and all of the men who have so far applied have either secured their old places or some other. A few will not even try to get back, but the steel workers do not seem to be holding back any who may desire to return to work. There were twenty-eight applications before yesterday and it is now put at over fifty. The starting of a blast furnace to-morrow will make room for a number of additional men, and when the second furnace is ready to start there will hardly be men enough about to man all the departments. But there are new ones around nearly every day.

BELLAIRE BRIEFS.

The proposed new bottle works here is stopped for the present, by reason of a sudden increase in the price of the site contemplated originally, which complicated some of the subscriptions, and will cause further delay. There is other moves with different parties, however, to be determined.

Owen Stanton, a Baltimore & Ohio engineer, was badly scalded in attempting to tighten a relief cap on his engine. The cap blew off and the escaping steam scalded his face and hands so seriously that he will probably be disfigured.

Andrew Toline, Cleveland & Pittsburgh engineer, accidentally fell into the pit at the round table in the yards here, as he turned to go out of the engine house. His face and head were badly bruised, but he escaped without any broken bones.

Fred Stewart, who has been in the mold shop of the Bellaire works for two years, will be engaged hereafter with the glass letter company, a new novelty organization just formed here.

Squire F. S. Mason received one of the most profane letters through the mail Sunday evening, concerning an applicant for a pension. He turned it over to the department.

Mr. C. C. Kelly and mother came in from Armstrong's Mills yesterday, and will occupy their new home on the old homestead this winter.

Master Frank Seals will entertain a number of his young friends at his home on Guernsey street, next Friday evening.

The Uniformed Rank, Knights of Pythias, held a meeting last night and increased the number who will uniforms.

Miss Neva Kildow, of Bethesda, is the guest of friends and relatives in the Fourth ward.

Miss Alice Givens, of Pittsburgh, Pa., is the guest of relatives in the Fifth ward.

Yesterday was pay-day on the Baltimore & Ohio road in this city.

Robert Nourse will lecture here on the evening of December 2.

M. L. Blackburn has gone to St. Louis on a business trip.

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Will Forfeit His Bond.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Nov. 21.—William Lockridge, whose sentence to five years in the penitentiary for robbing the Bank of Savannah, of Savannah, Mo., two years ago, was recently confirmed by the state supreme court, has disappeared. Lockridge was out on a \$3,000 bond pending the action of the supreme court on his appeal.

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